IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

be # Application of: JENNIE BIH-JIEN SHEN

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RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Response to the non-final Office Action, dated July 26, 2004 regarding the above-identified application. Reconsideration is respectfully requested and the following submitted in support thereof. Please enter the following:

Amendment to the claims can be found on page 2 of this letter. **Remarks** can be found on page 9 of this letter.

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